February 4, 1957

Mrs. Ruth Grane Nederland, Texas

Dear Mrs. Cranes

I was so happy to learn at State board meeting that your league is going to publish a local Voter regularly. I'm sure that you already have board approval to use much of the space in the February issue to publish your Outlook for Work on your board recommended local current agenda item. This will enable you to have as exciting a time at your annual meeting as we have at State and Eatlonal Conventions when Program on those levels is being debated and selected. Last week in San Antonio Mrs. Lee said, There is mounting evidence that the league that chooses its local agenda wisely and with wide member discussion, understanding end support, and that does a good job of carrying out its local program, wins and maintains the respect and confidence of the community. Such a league is well fortified for whatever may some its way."

Hoping to hear from you soon.

Mrs. Harold R. Yeary

NEDERLAND LCA - 1958-59

City Election Laws and Local Procedures

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League of Women Voters of Texas

• AUSTIN 5, TEXAS

October 3, 1958

TO: Ruth Hughes FROM: State office

RE: Nederland

Nederland ordered 10 Pros and Cons and 1 Texas Poll Tax. On the order they had this sentence:

"Our Local item this year is Local election laws. We would appreciate anything you have that would help us on this subject."

As everthing state office has is on a state level, can you write them about this? Thank you.

The order was signed by Mrs. John M. Nicklebur, Jr.

Oct. 10, 1958

Mrs. John M. Nicklebur, Jr.

Dear Mrs. Nicklebur:

I have a note from State OFFICE ABOUT YOUR request to them for some material on your LCA item of ELECTION LAWS. Since all the material in the State Office would be state election laws, I was asked to write to you shout this.

It sacms to be that most election laws are state laws, so I presume that your plan in Nederland is to work on some local procedures. I do not know just which procedures have inspired your members to choose this for a LCA, but I suppose there must be some procedures that they think need nome study and maybe correction. Several Leagues have used voting procedures as LCA items in the past few years, but I hesitate to refer you to them, because their problems may be entirely different from yours, and therefore their plan and outlook for work would be not suitable for you to follow.

So it would seem to me that this would be an item that would require some research on the local level. Of course, you can obtain the state election code as background material.

Cordially yours,

Mrs. Eugene H. Hughes State LCA Chairman

ce:Mrs. Rhodes

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Oet. 10, 1958

Mrs. T. D. Rhodes

Dear Mrs. Rhodes:

I am enclosing a copy of my letter to Mrs. Nickelbur about her request to State Office for some material on election laws. It is self explanatory, I'm sure.

I'm wondering what different phases of election procedures you and your committee are studying. You do have voting machines in Jefferson County, don't you? So that would not be your present project, I expect.

I would be happy to hear from you with your outlook for work and how you are proceeding on it. Have you had any meetings on this subject yet? Have you found any election procedures that need looking into? It would seem to me that your subject would be quite timely with a general election coming up.

I'm looking forward to hearing from you.

Cordially,

Mrs. E. H. Hughes State LCA chairman

ec:SO Braunagel Pettis Mrs. T. D. Rhodes

Dear Mrs. Rhodes: This is the time of year when you, as local current agenda chairman of the LWV of Nederland, will be getting a committee and making plans for carrying out you present item. As State Chairman of LCA, I am much interested how you will plan to proceed with your subject of election laws. When you and your committee have made your plans, I hope that you will write me and give your outlook for work. Your item sounds as if there might be most local procedures in the election law field that need looking into. Do you forsee that your study of this will lead to action in this year?

Do you have the new state publication: "On the Home Front"? If not, by all means get it before you start your plans. You will find the 10 steps for a successful local current agenda most helpful. It would be a

good idea for every member of your committee to have this tool.

I might also suggest that you ask someone on your committee to keep a funning account of the steps you take in carrying out this item. This will be a record of your accomplishment, and will be building for the future on LCA items.

If I can be of any assistance to you at any time, don't hesitate to

write me.

Cordially.

ce: SO Pettis Braunagel Mrs. Eugene H. Hughes

LOCAL PROGRAM:

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Describe any activity on your local Program.

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A study of the City Charter

Chairman: Mrs. John Nicklebur

Memos, correspondence, etc.

Memo - Apr. 9, 1959